



GAME NOTES

Merritt Centennials
at
Wenatchee Wild

Saturday October 14, 2017



Tonight, the Wenatchee Wild (7-3-0-1, 5th Place Interior Div.) face the Merritt Centennials (3-7-2-0, 7th Place, Interior Div.) in the second of six scheduled meetings this season.

HEAD TO HEAD: It's the sixth meeting all-time between the two clubs. The Wild are 2-3-0 all-time against Merritt, including a 5-3 win over the Centennials to open this season on the road.

WHO TO WATCH FOR: Forward **Jasper Weatherby** (9g, 6a) and defenseman **Cooper Zech** (3g, 12a) lead the Wild in scoring with 15 points each. Goalie **Seth Eisele** has won 4 of his 6 decisions with a 2.60 Goals Against Average, and a Save Percentage of .895. Merritt is paced offensively by forwards Nicholas Wicks (3g, 6a) and Henry Cleghorn (2g, 6a). Jacob Berger carries the workload in net, with a 3-6-2-0 record, 3.24 Goals Against Average, and .909 Save Percentage.

SPECIAL TEAMS: The Wild are 18/73 (24.7%, 2nd) on the power play this season, while Merritt is 7/55 (12.7%, 16th). The Wild are 36/42 on the penalty kill (85.7%, 5th), and the Centennials have killed off 51 of 64 (79.7%, 12th).

LAST NIGHT: The Wild scored two shorthanded goals including the late empty-netter as they topped the West Kelowna Warriors on the road. Merritt surrendered a late two-goal lead at home to the Penticton Vees, who defeated the Centennials 3-2 in the first overtime.

MOVING ON: The Wild hit the road early next week for a Tuesday night game in Salmon Arm, then return home to face Surrey on Friday and Penticton on Saturday. Merritt welcomes Chilliwack to Nicola Valley Memorial Arena on Wednesday, then head off to Penticton and Salmon Arm for the weekend.

MEDIA: Tonight's game and all Wild games are aired on Sunny FM (93.9 FM), and available on a pay-per-view basis with HockeyTV.com. Pregame show airs tonight at 6:45 pm.

TONIGHT'S PROMOTION: Tonight, fans will receive a complimentary Team Poster, courtesy of Finish Line Custom Interiors. After the game, Wild players will be available on the concourse to sign the posters.

NEXT HOME GAMES: Friday Oct. 20 vs. Surrey Eagles, 7:05 pm, presented by Les Schwab Tires, and Saturday Oct. 21 vs Penticton Vees, also at 7:05 pm. Saturday is Diapers and Undies Toss Night sponsored by Health Alliance, and there will be a Rally Towel Giveaway as well.

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